The Government of India has also launched an Integrated disease Surveillance Programme in November, 2004, to further strengthen identification of outbreaks of various diseases including water borne and vector borne diseases so that early intervention could be made and occurrence, disability and death due to such diseases could be reduced.

Opening of CHCs and PHCs

†*539. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the criteria for opening the Sub Health Centres, Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres by Government are still based on the 1991 Census;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering the proposal to start these Health Centres on the basis of the Census of the year 2001; and

(c) if so, by when it would be implemented and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS): (a) to (c) National Rural Health Mission (NRHM 2005-2012) envisages approval of Sub-Centres, Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres as per 2001 Population Norms and Work-load of the health facility. NRHM seeks to strengthen the health care delivery system in rural areas by provision of funds for the upgradation of health centres including physical infrastructure, manpower, medicine availability etc. State Governments are required to prepare plan for establishing new health facilities and upgrading the existing health facilities and incorporate the requirement of funds for the purpose in their annual Programme Implementation Plan under NRHM.

Committee to examine catering system

†*540. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi High Court had set-up any Committee recently to examine the catering services in Railways;

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.